BROOKLYN, Dec. 26.-The Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, D.D., preached in the Brooklyn have been examined, and I will find the Tabernacie this evening on the subject: "The largest, the heaviest, the mightiest brain ever Christian Jubilee." A special programme of produced in America, and I will ask what music was rendered by the artists of the that brain thought of Christ. There it is, church, and the congregational singing was the brain weighing sixty-three ounces, the inspiriting. The opening hymn begins:

Joy to the world! the king is come, "When they had heard the king they de parted; and, lo, the star, which they saw in | me to Thyself for Christ's sake. This night I the east, went before them, till it came and shall be in life, and joy, and blessedness. stood over where the young child was." The So Daniel Webster came to the manger. The

At this season all Christendom celebrates men of the west. ready to herald the event from city to city.

another star rushing down the sky that night lanes of the city. You can see Him putting to becken the wanderer home again, shall yet His hand under the fainting head in the valued at \$17,000. The miscellaneous brica-

Are there no new lessons from the story not the wind whistled around the caravansary in the are valued at \$2,500, leaving a net profit labor, its relation to capital, the hours yet hackneyed by oft repeatal? Oh, yes! Bethlehem that December night, and he is in of \$14,500 in favor of the queen. pearance that led the way. So, the star | hear the shutters clatter on a cold night. ch they saw in the east went before them.

means hope, that means good cheer, that and chilling with disappointment, and suffoworlds was opened! A star! That means | but a Winter Christ. ple? A star! That means brilliant continu-ance, for are not the righteous to shine as the

the transit of Venus was foretold many years persecuted and tried souls! oh, you burden ago by astronomers, and astronomers can bearers, this day I declare unto you a Detell what will be the conjunction of worlds a cember Christ! ance in the heavens. The Chinese record, of God, gives as a matter of history that about fed, poorly sheltered, galled and maltreated in Boston. able appearance in the heavens. But of Bethlehem on which the shepherds stood, I could have marked within a short distance York, with no water—1,500 miles of agony! he place of the alighting. The University of swaved, and swung, and halted with joy world, had rushed down without his corooright star of hope is our glorious Christianity. One glimpse of that stellar appear-ance kindled up the soul of the sick and (the from his pale fingers and the star seemed to

When marshaled on the nightly plain The glittering hosts bestud the sky, One star alone of all the train Can fix the sinner's wandering eye. Hark! hark! to God the chorus breaks, From every host, from every gem, But one alone the Saviour speaks, It is the Star of Bethleher

Once on the raging seas I rode, The storm was loud, the night was dark, And rudely blew the wind That tossed my foundering bark; Deep horror then my vitals froze. athstruck, I ceased the tide to stem; When suddenly a star arose, It was the Star of Bethlehen

Notice also in this scene that other worlds med to honor our lord and master. Bright tar of the night, wheel on in thine orbit! said the star, "I must come nearer, and I must tend, and I must watch and see what you do with my Jesus." Another world that gight joined our world in worship. That people talk of Christ's dominion as though it were to be merely the few thousand niles of the world's circumference; but I beby such creatures as we are, still such creatures as God designed to make, and that all | bosom of Christ, e worlds are a part of Christ's dominion. Isaac Newton, and Kepler and Herschel only went on Columbus' voyage to find these con-

of the universe, its pedals and its pipes and its keys, are all one great harmony, save one injured pedal, save one broken stop—the vox humana of the human race, the disloyal world.

Now you know that however grand the instrument may be, if there be one key out of order it spoils the harmony. And Christ must mend this key. He must restore this broken stop. You know with what bleeding hand, and with what pierced side, and with what crushed foot, He did the work. But the world shall be attuned, and all worlds will be yet acbe attuned, and all worlds will be yet ac-cordant. Isie of Wight, larger in comparison

The myrrh. Oh, the height, the depth. the length, the breadth of a Saviour's sorrow!

with the British empire than our island of a Myrrh. Well might the wise men shake out world as compared with Christ's vast domain. If not, why that celestial escort! If not, why that sentinel with blazing badge above the aravansary? If not, why that midnight watchman in the balcony of heaven? Asronomy surrendered that night to Christ. This planet for Christ. The solar system for Christ. Worlds ablaze and worlds burned

side of that domain. Further reaching telescope cannot find the other side of that domain. But I will tell you how the universe is bounded. It is bounded on the north and south and east and west by God, and that God is Christ, and that Christ is God, and that that God is consequently. that God is ours. O, does it not enlarge our ideas of a Saviour's dominion when I tell you that all the worlds are only sparks struck from His anvil, that all the worlds are only fleecy flocks following the one shepherd, that all the islands of light in immensity are one great archipelago belonging to our King!

But this scene also impresses me with the foot that the wire man of the cast came to the silvery rafters of the starlit dome. Frankincense. That is what we shake out from our hearts to-day, so that the nostrik of Christ, once crimsoned with the hemorrhage of the cross, shall be flooded with the perfume of a world's adoration. Frankincense. Frankincense in song, and sermon, and handshaking, and decoration. Praise Him, mountains and and decoration. Praise Him, mountains and hills, valleys and seas, and skies, and earth and heaven—cyclone in your trumpets, norther wise men came to Christ. We say they were the magi, or they were the alchemists, or they were the astrologists, and we say it with depreciating accentuation. Why, they were the most splendid and magnificent men of the century. They were the naturalists and the scientists. They knew all that was known. You must remember that astrology was the mother of astronomy, and that alchemy was the mother of chemistry, and because children are brighter than the mother you do not despise the mother.

It was the lifelong business of these astrologers to study the stars. Twenty-two hundred and fifty years before Christ was born the wise men knew the procession of the equinoxes, and they had calculated the orbit and the return of the cometa. Professor Smith declares that he thinks they knew the distance of the earth from the sun. We find in the Book of Job that the men of olden time Book of Job that the men of olden time Book of Job that the men of olden time Book of Job that the men of olden time Book of Job that the men of olden time Book of Job that the men of olden time Book of Job that the knew, and the knew and the case in great columns of praise outside or above the temple, rising clear upward to the throne of God.

So we have two censers to-day of Christmas frankincense. Here is the one canner of earthly frankincense. On that we put our fact that the wise men of the east came to hills, valleys and seas, and skies, and earth

east, and tradition says the three wisest came
—Caspar, a young man; Balthazar, a man in
midlife, and Melchior, an octogenarian. The three wisest men of all the century. They came to the manger. So it has always been—the wisest men come to Christ, the brainiest men come to the manger. Who was the great Alleluia unto Him to whom the wise greatest metaphysician this country has ever men of the east brought the gold, and the oduced? Jonathan Edwards, the Christian. | myrrh, and the frankine Who was the greatest astronomer of the which they saw in the east went before world! Herschel, the Christian. Who was the greatest poet ever produced! John Mil-ton, the Christian. Who was the wisest writer on law! Blackstone, the Christian. Why is it that every college and university in the land has a chapel! They must have

of Christ-The Offerings of the Three Shepherds Were Significant of Jesus' a place for the wise men to worship. Come now, let us understand in ounces and by inches this whole matter. In post mortem examination the brains of distinguished men largest brain ever produced in America.

Now, let me find what that brain thought of Christ. In the dying moment, that man said: Dr. Talmage's text was St. Matthew ii, 9: "Lord, I believe; help Thou mine unbelief. Whatever else I do, Almighty God, receive wise men of the east followed by the wise

the birth of Christ. Step down out of your | Know also in this scene that it was a win comfortable surroundings into the chill De- ter month that God chose for His son's nacember night of Bethlehem. Two plain peo- tivity. Had it been the month of May-that ple are hoteled in a village barn after a walk is the season of blossoms. Had it been in the of eighty miles, too long a trudge for one in month of June-that is the month of roses. poor health. No lords of state awaiting in | Had it been in the month of July-that is the antechamber, as when other kings are born. season of great harvests. Had it been in the No messengers mounted at the doorway month of September—that is the season of be experimented upon by a German who has ripe orchards. Had it been in the month of ready to herald the event from city to city.

Trips or chards. Had it been in the month of No medical skill in attendance. No satin lined cradle to receive its infantile guest. But he was born in the month of But a monarch born in the hostelry called the House of Chimham, the night, with dialected to receive its infantile guest. But he was born in the month of Skin that is so hard and thick that he can walk on coals of fire without experiencing any pain.

Constructed a novel furnace for the purpose. A colored citizen of Corinth, Miss., has a skin that is so hard and thick that he can walk on coals of fire without experiencing any pain. the House of Chimham, the night, with dia- ing out of doors, and when all the harvests any pain. moned finger, pointing down to the place; the | that have not been gathered up have perdoor of heaven set wide open to look out; ished, and when there are no fruits ripening from orchestral batons of light, dripping the on the hill, and when the leaves are drifted oratories of the Messiah; on lowest doorstep of over the bare earth. It was in closing Decemheaven the minstrels discoursing of glory and | ber that He was Born, to show this is a Christ good will.

Soon after the white bearded astrologists clouded sky, for people with frosted hopes, kneel, and from leather peuch chink the for people with thermometer below zero, for shekels, and from open sacks exhals the frank-incense and rustle out the bundles of myrrh. That is the reason He is so often found among The loosened star; the escaped doxology of the destitute. You can find him on any celestials; the chill December night aflush night coming off the moors. You can see with May morn; our world a lost star, and Him any night coming through the dark

Now, in the first place, it was a sidereal ap- sympathy with all those who in their poverty It was this December Christ that Wash-Why not a black cloud in the shape of a hand | ington and his army worshiped at Valley | tons of them every year from the coast of or a finger pointing down to the sacred birth Forge, when without blankets they lay down lower California, and shipped sixty or seventy place! A cloud means trouble, and the world in the December snow. It was this Christ tons by every steamer, says the caprice of man by birth. He was born at Dunhad had trouble enough. Why not a shaft of that the Filgrim Fathers appealed to when fashion and an overstocked market have de-barton in the year 1840, and was edulightning quivering and flashing and striking down to the sacred birthplace! Lightning and in the years that went by the graves means destruction, a shattering and consum- | digged were more in number than the houses ing power, and the world wanted no more | built. Oh, I tell you, we want a December Christ, not a Christ for fair weather, but a But it was a star, and that means joy, that | Christ for dark days clouded with sickness,

means accordancy. A star! That means cating with bereavement, and terrific with creative power, for did not the morning stars sing together when the portfolio of the not a Summer Christ, not an Autumn Christ, defense, for did not the stars fight in their

Oh, this suffering and struggling world course against Sisera, and for the Lord's peolullabled in the arms of sympathetic omnipotence! No mother ever with more tender stars forever and ever! A star! That means the opening of eternal joy. The day star in child, than Christ comes down to us, to this the heart. The morning star of the Re- invalid world, and He rocks it into placidity and quietness as He says: "My peace I give The unusual appearances that night have unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you." Oh, you broken hearted! oh, you

thousand years from now, so they can calcu- Notice also a fact which no one seems to have been compelled to testify that about the sheep and the cattle and the borses and the by a New Bedford, Mass., manufacturer. camels in order that He might be an alleviating influence to the whole animal crea- in the temperance cause in England, has been became necessary to call in the police to preourse entirely independent of the word of | tion. It means mercy for overdriven, under- advocating the consumption of hot lemonades | vent further mischief. But after the lapse of

Hath the Christ who compared Himself to t may have been a meteor such as you and I a dove no care for the cruelties of the pigeon have seen flash in the horizon. Only a few shooting! Hath the Christ who compared years ago I saw in the western sky a star | Himself to a lamb no care for the sheep that shoot and fall with such brilliancy and pre-cision that if I had been on a hill as high as that are tied and contorted, and with neck over the

ns of meteoric stones picked up in the the coin taken from its mouth, no care for pensioned her employes royally and distribfields, fragments flung off from other worlds, the tossing fins in the fish market? Hath the uted her bounty like a princess. eaving a flery trail on the sky. So that it is | Christ who strung with His own hand the not to me at all improbable, the stellar or the nerves of the dog and the cat, no indignation | Washington Childs, A. M., of Philadelphia, Christ who said "Behold the fowls of the air," celestial, as though Christ, in haste to save | Himself never beheld the outrages heaped upon the brute creation, that cannot articunet, and the angels of God had hurled it after | late its grief! This Christ came not only to Him! Not a black cloud of threat, but a lift the human race out of its trouble, but to lift out of pang and hardship the animal crea-

In the glorious millenial time the child dying college student, until the words flashed shall lead the lion and play with the cock- 27 years of age. When the war was over he atrice only because the brute and reptile pour its light from his white lips, as Kirke shall have no more wrongs to avenge. To alleviate the condition of the brute creation Christ was born in the cattle pen. The first | while his mother covered the buttons with bleat of the lamb of God was heard amid the pieces of an old bombazine dress. tired flocks of the Bethlehem shepherds. The white horse of eternal victory stabled in a

But notice also in this account the three Christmas presents that are brought to the manger. Gold, frankincense and myrrh. by his subject, a cataleptic young person named Mile. Lucia, entered a cage of lions in Gold to Christ. That means all the affluence | Signor Salva's menagerie. The animals of the world surrendered to him. For lack of seemed at first quite stupefied on seeing money no more asylums limping on their way like the cripples whom they helped, feeling their slow way like the blind people whom they sheltered. Millions of dollars for Christ and having sent Mile. Lucia into a magnetic where there are now thousands for Christ. trance he told her to fix her gaze on the Railroads owned by Christian stockholders, and governed by Christian directors, and carrying passengers and freight at Christian prices. George Peabodys and Abbot Lawrences and James Lenoxes no rarity. Bank beasts and to place her arms before them, which she did with perfect impunity. She was then plunged into a cataleptic fit, her body was stiffened and her feet and legs fastened to two stools. The animals, goaded rences and James Lenoxes no rarity. Bank of England, Bourse of France, United States treasury, all the moneyed institutions of the world for Christ. The gold for Christ. Gold not merely paid the way for Joseph and Mary and the divine fugitive into Egypt,

adrillions of worlds are inhabited—if not such creatures as we are, still such creatures. But I notice that these wise men also shook out from their sacks the myrrh. The cattle

came and they snuffed at it. They did inents of our king's domain. I think all not eat it, because it was bitter. The pungent worlds were loyal but this. The great organ of the universe, its pedals and its pipes and to the feet of Christ. That means bitterness.

> But I notice, also, from another sack they shake out the frankincense. Clear up to the rafters of the barn the air is filled with the

> in the censer in the ancient temple. Frankin-cense. That means worship. Frankincense. churches, and all the capitals, and all the nations, from cellar to stalactited cave clear up to the silvery rafters of the starlit dome.

throne, and then I clash them together in one

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

New York has spent \$700,000 on its canals France and Mexico have concluded a treaty

ts only \$2 a day. The Spanish cortes has authorized an out lay of \$45,000,000 for new war vessels. "Lucky" Baldwin's California ranch contains 50,000 acres and employs 250 men. It is believed that the Chinese in California "salt" from \$1,000 to \$2,000 in silver dollars

An angry controversy is in progress England over the question, "Do Women Have Souls!" Capitalists in Australia are talking of lay-

ing a cable to British Colombia at a cost of \$10,000,000. The public has paid for Appleton's Ameri can cyclopædia in its various editions, including annual supplements, nearly \$15,000,000. penny daily morning paper will make its ap-

pearance in that city on the 1st of January.

of the Vanishing Lady. Out of a small egg, only the keen vision sees it through which grows gradually larger and larger be-fore the eyes of the spectators, will be pro-wealth and enmaddened poverty. duced a living girl.

raphers in London assert that they could by the establishment of a Bureau in have sold 10,000 copies had they been ready, Washington, where that eminent statisand it will be months before the supply is tician, Carroll D. Wright, is engaged

pauper's cabin. He remembers how the brac which her majesty will send to the sul-

According to local papers the trade in aba- men and women, and the means of prolone shells at San Diego, Cal., has almost moting their material, social, intelceased. A dealer who used to receive 1,000

CONCERNING PROMINENT PEOPLE.

and Women. Charles Francis Adams leaves \$1,250,000. The president is said to receive nearly 50,-000 letters a day.

Mme. Patti is to be paid \$150,000 for her ix months' singing. Kate Field is giving elaborate dinner par ies at the Arlington, in Washington. Jesse Grant has been appointed superintendent of the proposed Topolobampo rail-

road in Mexico Mme. Nevada Palmer has become a prom nent figure in the Paris salons, and her receptions are the rage. George Alfred Townsend after dictating

that the fellow was insane Queen Victoria has ordered a tea set of fifty late backwards, and even infidel astronomers | notice, that this Christ was born among the | pieces of Burmese ware to be made for her | day his premises were invaded by a boisterous Miss Catherine Impey, a prominent leader

> Jay Gould has bought a pew in a Presby-terian church at New York, and the paragraphists are making it the subject of most

Mr. Browning found that the palace in Venice which he proposed to purchase was in hopelessly bad repair, and accordingly Mme. Boucicault, of the Bon Marche, Paris, ties are located, and was made according Iowa and the British museum have speci- Hath the Christ whose tax was paid by a fish, is the Peter Cooper of her time. She has

meteoric appearance on that night of which we speak. I only care to know that it was bright, that it was allvery, that it flashed, and bright, that it was allvery, that it flashed, and Christ who said "Go to the ant," no watchfulness for the transfixed insects? Hath the The resemblance between Attorney General The resemblance between Attorney Genera Garland and First Controller Durham is said to be so great that they can be distin-guished only by the different ways in which

they crease their hats. Gen. Hoke, now at the head of the new Georgia, Carolina and Northern railroad, was a major general in the Confederate army at wanted to go to New York and start life anew. He had no suit but his old gray uni form, and he had this dyed by an old servant,

Mesmerizing a Den of Lions. A frightful scene has just taken place at Dijon. A mesmerist, M. Torcy, accompanied named Mile. Lucia, entered a cage of lions in strange persons before them, but they soon began to show their molar broadsides and to by the keepers and by vigorous thrusts from M. Torcy's sticks, were made to jump severa times over the young woman's body. This inhuman exercise was continued until the way shall be paid all around the world. The gold for Christ, the silver for Christ, the levels for Christ. The bright audience, wound up to the highest pitch of

> A Cool and Plucky Man. Albert C. Crocker, superintendent of wells for the Chartiers Gas company, was inspecting a well five miles from Hickory, Pa., the missing foot, ordered the doctors to bind up the wound until a Pittsburg surgeon arrived, and while waiting for him quietly breathed his

Frequency of Left-Handedness. Dr. Louis Jobert has published a work on the cause and frequency of left-handedness. No purely left-handed race has ever been discovered, although there seems to be a-difperfume, and the hostlers and the camel drivers in the further part of the building inhale it, and it floats out in the air until passers by wonder who in that rough place could have by accident dropped a box of alphaster.

ference in different tribes. Seventy per cent. of the inhabitants of the Pendjab use the left hand by preference, and the greater number of the Hottentois and Bushmen of South Africa also use the left hand in preference to the right. Dr. Marro, as a result of his study. ference in different tribes. Seventy per cent. Africa also use the left hand in preference to the right. Dr. Marro, as a result of his study of criminals, has discovered that from 14 to 23 per cent. of those who have been convicted of crime were left-handed, the highest ratio among people of all classes being only nine in the hundred.—Medical Record.

M. Pasteur was the recipient of distinguished honors in his journey to Bordighiera, where he is to spend a few weeks in recreation for the first time in nearly four years. The mayor of Nice and the Bureau de la Societe Medicale met him at the station and roses. The distinguished savant replied, not in his own name, but in the name of his wife and family, and declared that when he often flagged from overwork his wife stimulated him to pursue his scientific studies and work out the problems he had in view.-Chicago

in the spring. The barn floor is covered with in the spring. The barn floor is covered with sand and gravel, in which the birds dust to keep free from virmin; trees are arranged around the walls and upper part of the barn to prevent the birds from killing themselves by flying against the boards, and an attend-ant is to feed and water the birds daily.

A Tricycle for Gout.

"Twenty Doctors" is the title of a pamphlet published in London by a man who, from 1868 to 1885, was a cripple from rheumatic gout. He tried nineteen doctors and experimented with all the means of cure or relief known to the profession. Then came No. 20, who put him on a tricycle. He was in agony, and some of the nineteen told him that he would die. But No. 20 mid, "xick," and he stuck, and is now quite well. A good advertisement for the tricycle makers.



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The great controversy between Capital and Labor agitates every civilized coun-It is rumored in London that a new half try. It is replete with danger to the nmonwealth. We suffer from here, in strikes, lockouts, and the untold deprivations of women and children constructed a novel furnace for the purpose. is one that concerns everybody, but The coming illusion will be the antipodes theory. It unquestionably is so, but The Congress of the United States There is an extraordinary demand for has provided for the collection of inphotographs of Archer. One firm of photog- formation bearing on the Labor problem in following out the instructions given The Arab horses which the sultan of Mus- him by the Act of Congress under which cat recently sent to Queen victoria lows: "The Commissioner snail convalued at \$17,000. The miscellaneous brica-lows: "The Commissioner snail convalued to the subject of lect information upon the subject of lect information upon the subject of

> lectual and moral prosperity. Mr. Wright is a New Hampshire cated in the Granite State. Before he had completed reading for admission to the bar, the war began, and he enlisted as a private soldier. When Lee surrendered, Colonel -he had risen to command his regiment-Wright went back to his law books. Leaving New Hampshire, in 1867 he made his residence in Boston, where he soon became a prosperous lawyer. His fellow citi-

of labor, and the earnings of laboring

zens sent him to the State Senate twice Then Governor Washburn made him chief of the Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor. His appointment to Washington was well received. Cheap Buttons for Everybody.

A short time ago De Francesco, a Neapoli tan smallware dealer, won the first prize in a lottery. In the exuberance of his delight the lucky winner announced that he would place for some hours to a stenographer found out the whole of his stock of buttons at the disposal of his fellow townsmen, so that all might come and help themselves. Accordingly, next crowd, blows were freely dealt, there were five minutes there was not a single button left in the warehouse,-Corriere del Mattino.

A Mountain in Miniature. In the celebrated Aspen mining case, now being tried in Denver, there is used a model of Aspen mountain, made of terra cotta. Its base is about eight feet square, and its height three feet. It represents that part of the mountain on which the controverted propercareful measurements, the scale being hity feet to the inch. Valejo and Spar gulch were represented, and all the surface contour of Within the last twenty years Mr. George that portion of the mountain.—New York



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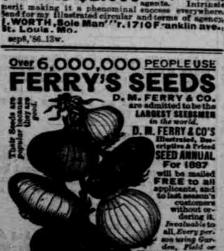
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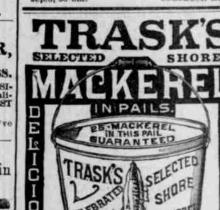
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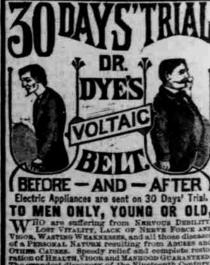
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